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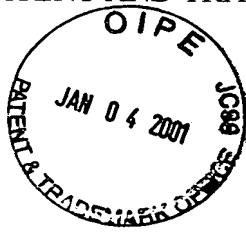
In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

MORISHITA

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FOR: EMISSION SYSTEM PART AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE PART



Group Art Unit: 1771

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SUBMISSION OF INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is an English translation of the International Preliminary Examination Report from which you will notice that it shows a "YES" for novelty, invention step and industrial applicability for original claims 1-4.

Respectfully submitted,

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